

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) ~~A method~~ Method of image storage, comprising:
~~preparing the preparation of~~ new image data (~~16b~~) based on the initial digital data (~~16a~~) of at least one image to be stored, by stored by modifying at least one first characteristic of said ~~image, and the image; and~~
recording on ~~the same a common~~ photographic medium (~~20~~) of at least one first and at least one second image in which:
[[-]] the first and second images respectively have the first characteristic unmodified and the first characteristic modified,
[[-]] the first and second images also have at least one second common characteristic, separate from the first characteristic,
[[-]] the first and second characteristics have different storage stabilities, and
~~and in which~~ at least one part of at least one of the first and second images is recorded in analog form having any directly human-significant contents.
2. (original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the first and second images are recorded with a link mark.
3. (currently amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the first and second images (~~16a, 16b~~) ~~101b, 102b, 103b, 104b~~ are recorded following one another.
4. (original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the first and second images correspond to images that follow in the order of a motion-picture sequence.

5. (original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the first characteristic is the one chosen from among the orientation of the image, the positive or negative character of the image, a permutation order of color components, a representation format of semantic contents and the pictorial contents of the image.
6. (original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the second characteristic is chosen from among the position of the image pixels, the pictorial contents of the image and a range of exposure energies.
7. (original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the first and second images are identical apart from the first characteristic.
8. (original) A method according to claim 6, wherein the first characteristic is the pictorial contents and the second characteristic is the range of exposure energies, the second image having a regular density gradation formed with a range of exposure energy corresponding to the range of exposure energy of the first image.
9. (original) A method according to claim 6, wherein the first characteristic is the pictorial contents and the second characteristic is the position of the pixels, the second image representing a high-contrast graphic grid indicating the positions of the pixels in the image.
10. (currently amended) A method according to claim 9, wherein the graphic grid is a checker board ~~(501b)~~.
11. (original) A method according to claim 5, wherein the first characteristic is an order of color permutations, and wherein the first and second images have permuted color components.
12. (currently amended) A method according to claim 5, wherein the second image ~~(401b)~~ is the negative of the first image ~~(401a)~~.